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**Jamaica: \* draft resolution**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* the World Summit for Social Development, held at Copenhagen from 6 to 12 March 1995, and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly, entitled "World Summit for Social Development and beyond: achieving social development for all in a globalizing world", held at Geneva from 26 June to 1 July 2000,

*Recalling also* the tenth anniversary of the World Summit for Social Development, observed during the forty-third session of the Commission for Social Development, held in New York in February 2005,

*Reaffirming* that the Copenhagen Declaration on Social Development and the Programme of Action<sup>1</sup> and the further initiatives for social development adopted by the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth special session<sup>2</sup> constitute the basic framework for the promotion of social development for all at the national and international levels,

*Recalling* the United Nations Millennium Declaration<sup>3</sup> and the development goals contained therein, as well as the commitments made at major United Nations

\* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

<sup>1</sup> *Report of the World Summit for Social Development, Copenhagen, 6-12 March 1995* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.96.IV.8), chap. I, resolution 1, annexes I and II.

<sup>2</sup> Resolution S-24/2, annex.

<sup>3</sup> See resolution 55/2.



summits, conferences and special sessions, including the commitments made in the 2005 World Summit Outcome,<sup>4</sup>

*Recalling also its resolution 57/120 B of 23 June 2003 on the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields,*

1. *Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General;*<sup>5</sup>
2. *Also takes note with appreciation of the Report on the World Social Situation 2005: The Inequality Predicament<sup>6</sup> and its main finding that the development agenda cannot be advanced unless the challenges of inequality within and between countries are addressed;*
3. *Welcomes the Declaration on the tenth anniversary of the World Summit for Social Development<sup>7</sup> adopted by the Commission for Social Development at its forty-third session;*
4. *Also welcomes the reaffirmation by Governments of their will and commitment to continue implementing the Copenhagen Declaration on Social Development and the Programme of Action,<sup>1</sup> in particular to eradicate poverty, promote full and productive employment and foster social integration to achieve stable, safe and just societies for all;*
5. *Reaffirms the recognition that the implementation of the commitments made at the World Summit for Social Development and the attainment of the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration,<sup>3</sup> are mutually reinforcing and that the commitments made at the Summit are crucial to a coherent, people-centred approach to development;*
6. *Recognizes that, while action taken to implement the outcomes of the major United Nations summits, conferences and special sessions in the economic, social and related fields held during the past ten years will further promote social development, strengthened and effective international and regional cooperation and assistance for development and progress towards increased participation, greater social justice and improved equity in societies will also be required;*
7. *Also recognizes that the broad concept of social development affirmed by the World Summit for Social Development has been weakened in national and international policymaking and that while poverty is a central part of development policy and discourse, the other two issues addressed by the Summit, employment and social integration, have suffered from a general disconnect between economic and social policymaking;*
8. *Emphasizes that poverty reduction policies should attack poverty by addressing its root and structural causes and manifestations and that equity and the reduction of inequalities need to be incorporated into those policies;*

<sup>4</sup> See resolution 60/1.

<sup>5</sup> A/60/80.

<sup>6</sup> United Nations publication, Sales No. E.05.IV.50.

<sup>7</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2005, Supplement No. 6 (E/2005/26), chap. I, sect. A.*

9. *Reaffirms* that employment policies should promote decent work under conditions of equity, equality, security and dignity and that employment creation should be incorporated into macroeconomic policies;

10. *Also reaffirms* that social integration policies should seek to reduce inequalities, promote access to education and health care and counter the negative effects of globalization on social development and the new threats posed by market-driven reforms;

11. *Further reaffirms* that the Commission for Social Development will continue to have primary responsibility for the follow-up to and review of the commitments made at the World Summit for Social Development and the outcome of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly,<sup>2</sup> and encourages Governments, the relevant specialized agencies, funds and programmes of the United Nations system and civil society to enhance their support for its work;

12. *Reaffirms* the commitments made in the 2005 World Summit Outcome,<sup>4</sup> in particular those set out under the heading "Meeting the special needs of Africa", underlines the call of the Economic and Social Council for enhanced coordination within the United Nations system and the ongoing efforts to harmonize the current initiatives on Africa, and requests the Commission for Social Development to continue to give due prominence in its work to the social dimensions of the New Partnership for Africa's Development;

13. *Also reaffirms* that social development requires the active involvement of all actors in the development process, including civil society organizations, corporations and small businesses, and that partnerships among all relevant actors are increasingly becoming part of national and international cooperation for social development, and further reaffirms that, within countries, partnerships among the Government, civil society and the private sector can contribute effectively to the achievement of social development goals;

14. *Invites* the Secretary-General, the Economic and Social Council, the Commission for Social Development, the regional commissions, the relevant specialized agencies, funds and programmes of the United Nations system and other intergovernmental forums, within their respective mandates, to continue to integrate into their work programmes and give priority attention to the commitments made at the World Summit for Social Development and the Declaration on the tenth anniversary of the World Summit for Social Development, to continue to be actively involved in their follow-up and to monitor the achievement of those commitments and undertakings;

15. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-first session the item entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly", and requests the Secretary-General to submit a report on this question to the Assembly at that session.